

AMERICAN INDIAN SERVICES, INC.,	:	Order Vacating Decision and Referring
Appellant	:	Appeal to the Assistant Secretary -
	:	Indian Affairs
v.	:	
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ACTING ABERDEEN AREA	:	Docket No. IBIA 97-43-A
DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF	:	
INDIAN AFFAIRS,	:	
Appellee	:	November 21, 1996

This is an appeal from a September 5, 1996, decision of the Acting Aberdeen Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, declining to fund a FY 1996 Indian Child Welfare Act grant application.

The Board docketed this appeal on November 20, 1996. After the notice of docketing was mailed, the Board received a letter from the Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs, asking the Board to vacate the Area Director's decision and refer this matter to her for appropriate action.

In accordance with the Assistant Secretary's request, and pursuant to the authority delegated to the Board of Indian Appeals by the Secretary of the Interior, 43 C.F.R. 4.1, the Acting Aberdeen Area Director's September 5, 1996, decision is vacated, and this appeal is referred to the Assistant Secretary for exercise of her discretionary authority.

Anita Vogt
Administrative Judge

Kathryn A. Lynn
Chief Administrative Judge